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THE Dutch Prints having of late given repeated Accounts, that since the News of the raising of the Siege of Barcelona the Neapolitans appear very much dispos'd to revolt, and to declare for King Charles III, and that some are even actually in Arms on Mount Vergine; the Paris Letter having told us a Squadron of Men of War is fitting out at Toulon, in order to cruise on the Coast of Naples; and the last Paris Gazette having own'd *that the Viceroy of Naples has taken necessary Precautions to prevent the Consequence of the present unlucky Circumstances of Affairs, and frustrate the Designs some seditious Persons might have: And that One disguis'd in a Religious Habit had been siez'd, with several Papers about him that he was to have dispers'd among the People.* Considering, we say, that all these Advices import that a Cloud is gathering in the Kingdom of Naples, and that 'tis probable it will e'er long break in a Storm upon the Party of the Duke of Anjou there; we think it not unseasonable to present the Publick with the following summary Relation [that came to our Hands by the last Mail] of the Conspiracy that was form'd (but miscarried) in Naples in 1701 in Favour of the House of Austria: That from the Quality of those that were in that early Conspiracy, and the Disposition of the Clergy and People of Naples at that Time, it may be judg'd how formidable the Party King Charles III has in that Kingdom must be needs grown now, upon the Encouragement which the happy Successes of the Arms of the Allies in Spain give them.

'The last *Journal des Scavans*, that came from 'Paris, being that dated the 21st of June N. S. 'gives the following Relation, in an Abstract of a 'Book intitul'd *The History of the Conspiracy of 'Naples in* 1701; printed at Paris by Pierre Giffart, '1706. in 12o.

THO' the Neapolitans were not the last of the Subjects of the Spanish Monarchy that declar'd for Philip V, the Germans did not despair of engaging them to put themselves under the Obedience of the Archduke of Austria. The Emperor was not ignorant of the Affection which some of the Heads of the chief Families had for him. Cæsar d'Avalos Marquis del Vasto continually sollicited him to send Troops to sieze Naples, assuring him he would answer for the Disposition of the Inhabitants to declare for the House of Austria. The beginning of the Year 1701 Francis Caetano Prince of Caserta, wrote a Letter with his own Hand to the Prince of Lichtenstein, the Archduke's Governour; in which he assur'd him in the most pathetick Terms, that he was desirous to give Signal Proofs of his Zeal for the Emperor's Service. The Hopes of the House of Austria being thus rais'd, the Council of Vienna began to form the Plan of a Conspiracy in the Kingdom of Naples.

The Conspirators sent to Rome John Caraffa Brother of the Count of Policastro, and Charles Sangro Brother of the Count of St. Lucite. Caraffa and Sangro, were both Officers in the Emperor's Troops, and were equally belov'd by the Nobility and People of Naples; but were of different Tempers. Caraffa being vain and hot-headed, talk'd indiscreetly in all the publick Company he came in of the Rights of the House of Austria. He [illegible] prudence to write to Antonio his natural B[illegible] endeavour to engage their Brother the Cou[illegible] licastro in the Emperor's Party. Antonio [illegible] the Viceroy of it, who forthwith sent an Account of it to the Duke d'Uzeda Ambassador of Spain at Rome. Our Author does not tell us what Measures were taken upon it by the Court of Madrid. The Course the Conspirators took, was, to send Caraffa to Vienna, to be rid of a Man so unfit to be concern'd in a Design that requir'd so much Secrecy.

Sangro, being a Man of more Depth and Cunning, paid all Manner of Civilities to the Spaniards in publick, while he was intriguing underhand with the Germans. He engag'd into their Party Jerom and Joseph Capece, Brothers, the first of which had run out all his Estate, and the other was guilty of so many Crimes, that to escape the Hands of Justice he had put himself into holy Orders. The Earnestness, Application, and Ability he shew'd, induc'd the rest of the Conspirators to leave the Conduct of the Plot to him. He drew in Bartholomew Grimaldi Duke of Telese his Cousin, Francis Spinelli, and Malitia Caraffa. The two latter came afterwards to be *the chief Wheels of the Conspiracy.*

Joseph Capece made several Journeys to Vienna, to regulate Conditions for the Conspirators. He had entred into a Negociation on that subject at Rome, with the Count de Lamberg and Cardinal Grimani; but the Treaty was concluded at Vienna in the Emperor's Council, and imported, 'That the 'Archduke should not give any of the publick 'Places or Employments to Forreigners, and that in 'Recompence of the Fidelity of the Conspirators 'to the House of Austria, the Prince of Cazerte 'should have Fundi; the Marquis del Vasto the 'Montferrat; Spinelli Tarentum, Capece Nola; 'the Marquis de Rofrano Salernum; Sangro Cosenza; the Caraffe the Principality of Stigliano; the 'Prince of Machia Gamba-Corta, the Principality of 'Piombino, and a Commission of Major General; 'and Grimaldi the Office of Master of the Horse of 'the Kingdom of Naples.

The Council of Vienna thought fit to intrust Francis Sassignet, a Native of Burgundy, with the Management of this Business at Rome; he having on several Occasions given Proofs of his Ability, Experience, and Courage.

The Conspirators that were at Naples met often in the House of Spinelli, and contriv'd the propereſt Means to alienate the Minds of the People and animate them to an Insurrection; they spread Rumors every Day to the Disadvantage of the King of Spain: And some seditious Persons grew so bold at last, that in publick Houses and other Places,

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they valued themſelves upon the Appellation of Imperialiſts.

Part of the ſecular and regular Clergy were no better affected to the Government. *The Piety and Gentleneſs of the Houſe of Auſtria were extoll'd even by the Fathers Confeſſors*; and the Manners and Government of the French were ſet forth in the moſt odious Colours. Nay ſome Prieſts went ſo far as to refuſe the Sacraments to thoſe who would not give a favourable Ear to their ſeditious Diſcourſes. In Concluſion, notwithſtanding all the care the Magiſtrates and the Archbiſhop took to watch the Behaviour of ſuſpected Perſons, the Evil ſpread more and more daily.

Things being at this Paſs, it came to be rumour'd in Naples that there would be a ſpeedy Commotion. The Duke d' Uzeda wrote to the Viceroy that Saſſignet was gone from Rome, and gave him an Account of the publick Diſcourſes there about the Conſpiracy. Upon this an Order was iſſued for viſiting the publick Inns every Night, and for opening all Letters that came by the Poſt. The Fathers John Villena, and Francis Torres, were taken up on ſtrong Proofs that they were concern'd in the Conſpiracy.

Saſſignet, Sangro, and Capece were arriv'd at Naples, and the Time for putting the Conſpiracy in Execution was fix'd to the 5th of October; but the Conſpirators alter'd it to the 22d of September, being quicken'd by the Precautions taken by the Viceroy. They reſolv'd to aſſaſſinate him, and then to ſieze the *New Caſtle* which is a very ſtrong *Citadel*; making ſure Account that the City being deſtitute of a Head and defenceleſs, would ſoon declare for them. So on the 22d of September, in the Dusk of the Evening, they repair'd in Arms in 3 Coaches to the Fountain of Medina. The Viceroy was to paſs that Way late, in a Coach, without Attendants. His Coachman whom they had corrupted, had given them Notice of this; and they had agreed, that when one Nicholas Riſpola ſhould ſtop the Horſes, the reſt ſhould diſpatch the Viceroy. Others of the Conſpirators were upon ſeveral Pretences got into the Citadel and had undertaken to kill the Governour and make themſelves Maſters of the Place, upon the Noiſe of the Diſcharge of a Piſtol, which was to be the Signal of the Viceroy's Death. But the Conſpiracy was before diſcover'd. Joſeph Maſſa Keeper of the Arms of the Citadel, who had engag'd to furniſh the Conſpirators with Fire Arms, to prevent all Suſpicion had ſent them out of the Arſenal on pretence of having them clean'd by Octavio Nicodemo a Gunſmith: But fooliſhly diſcloſing to the Gunſmith the Secret of the Conſpiracy, he inform'd the Viceroy of it, and Maſſa being ſiez'd made an ample Diſcovery of the whole Matter.

The Sequel of this Story ſhall be found in our next.

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